## PRICE THREE CENTS.

## DEATH FOLLOWED HIS DAY'S LABORS

Expired Suddenly.

HELP CAME TOO LATE.

Well-Known Merchant Found in Dying Condition.

WAS GASPING FOR HIS BREATH.

His Son-in-Law, Mr. E. A. Saunders, Jr., Entered the Room Only to See Mr. Brown Nearing the End, The Dead Man Was One of Richmond's Well Known Business Men.

Death came almost instantly to Mr. Richard L. Brown, aged sixty-two years, at No. 1606 West Hanover Street, last night, He had finished the day's labors and returned home, when he suffered a stroke of apoplexy of the lungs. Every sign of perfect health had been exhibited by Mr. Brown during the past few years and up to yesterday afternoon, when he was last seen alive by bis friends at the store of E. A. Saunders' Son, on Cary Street, where he was associated with his son-in-law, Mr. E. A. Saunders, Jr., where he had carefully arranged the papers on his desk and left everything at his office in order.

Upon arriving home Mr. Brown immediately went to his room, feeling somewhat baddy, and lay down.

THE END CAME QUICKLY.

A few moments later Mr. Saunders came and inquired for Mr. Brown. He was told by the servant that he had gone to his noom, to which Mr. Saunders went. There he found Mr. Brown gasping for

Mr. Saunders anxiously inquired the Mr. Saunders anxiously inquired the reason for his illness, to which Mr. Brown replied that it was "only shortness of breath, and that he would be all right shortly." Mr. Saunders hastened down stairs and telephoned for Dr. Moseley, but before he could get back Mr. Brown had died. This was shortly after 6 cheek. The end was neareful and translated the short was reacceful and translated the could be shortly after 6 cheek. o'clock. The end was peaceful and tran uil: there was not even so much as a

Moseley, upon his arrivel, and ed the cause of death as above MR. BROWN'S CAREER

Mr. Brown was born on April 10, 1838, and was educated at the schools of the

eity. Mr. Brown was one of Pichn ond's most Mr. Brown was one of Pickh ond's most therough business man and, at one time, was also one of the wealthiest and most successful of the city's wholesale merchants. He was at various times the head of the firm of Brown, Davis & Co.; a director of the First National Bank; Police Commissioner from Marshall Ward. commissioner from artisans are transce agent and a stockholder in sevul business concerns of the city.

The began business with Mr. William lor, the father of Mayor Taylor, and ked for him for several years. He afterwards identified with the firm William P. Lones & Co. and later bewas afterwards identified with the him of William B Jones & Co., and later be-came a partner in that concern. After the death of Mr. Jones, the firm of Brown, the death of Mr. Jones, the firm of Brown, Pemberton & Co., succeeded the firm of William B. Jones & Co. The firm of Brown, Davis & Co. succeeded that of Brown, Pemberton & Co., Mr. Pemberton blaving withdrawn. In politics he was a Democrat and held several positions of honor given him by the Democrats of

GENEROUS AND THOUGHTFUL Mr. Brown was generous and contri-buted largely to charitable organizations.

hearty welcome there.

In 1836 Mr. Brown, owing to business reverses, withdrew from the firm of Brown, Davis & Co., and for the past Brown, Lavis & Co., and the Brown, Lavis & Co., and the Lee with Mr. E. A. Saunders, Jr., in business.

He resided on Church Hill for a number

of years, where he was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was a member of St. John's Ep'scopal Church, and acted as vestryman throughout his membership. Upon taking up his residence in the West End, Mr. Brown became a communicant at All Saints' Church.

Mr. Brown and Miss Elizabeth F. Gre Mr. Brown and Miss Educated F. Gregory were married May 26, 1860. Mrs. Brown died June 30, 1894. The children are Mr. Charles L. Brown, Mrs. Mabei B. Crenshaw, Mrs. E. A. Saunders, Jr., Mrs. R. McC. Bullington, with whom he resided, and Mr. Richard L. Brown, Jr. resided, and Mr. Richard I. Flown, J. The funeral will take place from All Saints' Church to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Rev. Mr. J. Y. Dowman officiating. The interment will be made in Hollywood.

#### SENATORS SEE FLAGLER.

The Cuban Commission Reaches Palm Beach En Route to Havana,

PALM BEACH, FLA., March 17 .- Sena PALM BEACH, FLA., March II.—Seni-tors Aldrich, Platt (of Connecticut), and Teiler, who are on their way to Cuba to investigate conditions in the island, stop-ped over here to see Mr. Henry M. Flag-ier. The party discussed at length the needs of Florida, especially the proposed harbor improvements at Jacksonville, Miaml and Key West. The commission then left for Key West, where they will spend a day before going to Havana.

Governor Tanner, of Illinois, arrived here last night, accompanied by Mrs.

Tanner and Dr. Taylor, his family physi-Tanner and Dr. Taylor, his family physician, Governor Tanner is in poor health, but is not so ill as has been reported. He is suffering from nervous prostration, and overwork, and will probably remain here until the end of the season.

#### BRYAN GOES HOME.

The Free Silver Leader Will Tour the

Western States, LINCOLN, NEB., March 17-Colonel Bryan returned to Lincoln to-day, after an absence of two months, and will re-main until Tuesday, when he will start for a month's four of the Northwest and Pacific Coast States. Mr. Bryan was in conference during the day with the leading local Democrats, discussing plans for the delegate State Convention next

for the delegate state Convention next Monday night, which he will attend and probably address at some length. Mr. Bryan attended a dinner to-night given by the Students' Bimetallic Club of the University of Nebraska. He de-livered a short address.

## SELFISH EUROPE SET AN EXAMPLE

Mr. Richard L. Brown The President's Peace DR. TEMPLE DIED Offer a Surprise

FRANCE FEARED STEP.

Kruger's Appeal Passed Over Unheeded Owing to Public Feeling.

ALARMIST PREDICTIONS MADE

Tension of Feeling Between the Continental Republic and England Has Undergone Abatement-Dreyfusards Bitterly Opposed to Government's Proposition for Amnesty.

(Copyright 1900, by the Associated Press) PARIS, March 17 .- "The United States has shown selfish Europe an example," said a responsible official to a representative of the Associated Press when asked what was the feeling of the French gov ernment regarding President McKinley's offer of his good offices to England. "We felt," centinued the official in question "that our own position with respect to England, in view of the present state of public feeling there, was too delicate to admit of our acceding to Mr. Kruger's appeal; and, as this reluctance appeared to be shared by every other power, the action of the American government in taking the initiative came as an agreeable surprise. That it did not succeed does not detract from its merit."

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The correspondent here called the offi-cial's attention to complaints of a pertion of the French press that President Me-kinley refrained from backing up his offer, which was necessary to its success, some papers having only stated that his

offer, which was necessary to its success, some papers having only stated that his action was a mere election manouvre and not intended to be successful.

CRITISICM UNJUSTIFIED.

"In our view," replied the official, "these criticisms are utterly unjustified. President McKinley did even mcre than up to the last moment was expected over here. Only the members of chancellories, who realized the delicate nature of such a step, can appreviate America's effort at its proper value. The French government, while not prepared to take the initiative, would, in conjunction with Russia, readily have supported America, but the promptitude of England's refusal cut the ground from under them."

The official informant added, that although there appeared to be little likelihood of intervention in the immediate future, yet hopes are still entertained that a good offer of good offices from powers may eventually prove acceptable.

MAY YET INTERVENE.

"At any rate," said he, "It is not un-

"At any rate," said he, "it is not unlikely that it will be made if foreign interests are endangered by the chreatened destruction of the Rand mines."

This question of the destruction of the gold mines, as predicted by Mr. Montague White, is regarded as a serious matter

gold mines, as predicted by Mr. Montague White, is regarded as a serious matter here, and as being not merely possible, but probable. It is learned that the French Government has received information of the same effect from another source, and it considers the descendants of the Dutchmen who flooded their own country in order to repel an invader, quite capable of following this historic precedent in the case of foreign-owned gold mines.

FRENCH PRESS, ALARMISTS.

The French press has taken up the mat-The French press has taken up the matter, and points out the enormous amount of French savings sunk in the Rand gold fields. It is stated that if the Boers carry out their threat it will take at least three years to reconstruct the surface machinery, and other plants, while immediate destruction could be wrought by dynamiting the underground works. France owns a third of the shares in the Transvaal mines; and these alarmist predictions have already had their effect on the quotations. Thus, since Tuesday, Robinson has tions. Thus, since Tuesday, Robinson has dropped from 210 to 200; Ferreira from 423 to 465, and Geldenhuls from 148 to 140. The tension of feeling between France and England certainly has undergone abatement this week, for which the conelliatory article of the London Times is largely responsible. DREYFUSARDS PROTEST

The government's bill proposing amnesty in all criminal prosecutions which have arisen out of the Dreyfus affair meets with vigorous opposition from the Drey fusards, to whom amnesty means de-prival of means of redress. Dreyfus him-self wrote, protesting against the bill. The Senate committee this week heard Colonel Picquart and M. Zola, both of whom warmly condemned all this meas

#### ELOPED WITH NEGROES.

Michigan Town Reaches Conclusion That It Has No Place for Blacks.

HOUTON, MICH., March 17.—Citizens of Larium, a fine residence suburb of the big mining camp of Calumet, have appointed a committee to rid the town of negroes. They object to having it called a vigilance committee, and announce that only peaceable and legal methods will be used, but that the negroes must go. The negro were almost unknown there until sewer contractor brought in several car loads from Tennessee and Alabama eigh-teen months ago. Several white girls have since eloced with negroes and constant trouble had led

Princess Stephanie's Betrothal VIENNA, March 17.-The official Weiner Zeitung to-morrow will announce the betrothal of Princess Stephanie of

Austria to Count Elemer Lonyay, and will publish an official communique on the subject of the wedding in a few days.

QUEBEC, March 17.—The Academy of Music is on fire. A large audience, gath-ered at a St. Patrick's Day celebration. ad just left the theatre when the flame were discovered. The St. Louis Hotel, which adjoins the Academy, is burning

Theatre in Flames.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Representa-tive Richardson, of Tennessee, to-day in-troduced two more anti-trust resolutions, one against the American Steel and Wire Company and the other against the Fede-ral Steel Company.

## CARNIVAL WEEK, RICHMOND, MAY 14 TO 19.

# FROM HIS WOUNDS

· the End Came.

But Was Anxious to Know Why He Shot Him.

DIED WITHOUT AN ANSWER.

The Nature of the Insult to Mrs. Riddick Is Still a Mystery and It Is Hoped Now the Preacher Will Be Moved to Speak of His Reason for Slaying

BRODNAX, VA., March 17-Special.-Dr. William H. Temple, who was shot by Rev. J. E. R. Riddick last Sunday orning, March 11th, at his house, near White Plains, Brunswick county, died this afternoon at about 5 o'clock.

LAWRENCEVILLE, VA., March 17-Special.-Dr. Temple died this afternoon at 5 o'clock. His death was somewhat said he was no worse, and if there was any change it was in his favor. Dr. Temple had been having sinking spells for several days, but would always rally from them, and his friends had been encouraged to hope for his recovery. It is said he was calm and conscious

to the time of his death, and forgave Mr. Riddick for shooting him.

ANNIOUS TO KNOW CAUSE.

Dr. Temple's desire was to know why he had been shot, and in what way he had injured Mr. Riddick, but he died without receiving any answer.

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Dr. Temple was about thirty-nine years of age. He was the son of the late William H. Temple, of this county. His mother was a Miss Nicholson before her marriage. He graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, in 1855. and has since practiced his profession in this county. He was always regarded as a careful, painstaking and conscientious physician.

He had creeted a handsome country residence near White Plains, where he resided at the time of his death. He was rather handsome and of good stature, and was unmarried.

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DR. TEMPLE WELL-TO-DO.

Dr. Temple, by his energy and business capacity, amassed considerable property. Mr. Riddick has not been informed of the death of the victim of his wrath, and it is hoped that after hearing the serious outcome, he may be moved to speak out and say why he took the life of a fellow being.

Mr. Riddick is stouter and has a face entirely different looking from those given in newspapers. He always wears a serious, melancholy look, and appears to be in deep thought.

be in deep thought. The nature of the alleged insult to The nature of the alleged insult Mr. Riddick's wife is still a mystery.

Dr. Temple was shot four times, two of the balls going through the body, perforating the intestines. Dr. Temple recognized the gravity of his condition and made his will and put his affairs in order.

n order.

Dr. Hugh M. Taylor, of this city, reached him next day and performed the operation laparotomy, which at best s successful in a proportion of cases. In Dr. Temple's case, so long a time had elapsed that the operation was a forlorn hope, and it is remarkable that he survived so long. Rev. J. E. R. Riddick has been in

Rev. J. E. R. Riddick has been in Brunswick county jail, at Lawrenceville, since the shooting, but further than saying that he will show at the trial that he was justified in the shooting, will give he was justified in the shooting, will give he was justified in the shooting, will give no further reason for taking Dr. Tem-ple's life than that which Dr. Temple denied—that he insulted Mrs. Riddick the Wednesday previous, when called to

## DEATH IN DOG'S BITE.

Roanoke Lad a Victim of Hydrophobia.

BALTIMORE, March 17.—Charles New-

ton, whose parents live in Roanoke, Va., died at the Maryland General Hospital here to-day with hydrophobia. The boy was bitten several weeks ago and came here a few days later for the Pasteur here a few days later for the Pasteur treatment. He remained only one day, however, and his parents consented to his pleadings to be taken home. Two days ago he showed symptoms of the disease, and came here yesterday, but nothing could be done to save his life.

Riot Alarm for Strikers.

CHICAGO, March 17.—The presence of strikers and sympathizers, numbering 1,000, at the Western Electric Company plant resulted in a riot alarm being sent to the police station. A wagon load of policemen hurried to the scene, and prevented, it is said, a serious attack on necessity and the scene and prevented. vented, it is said, a serious attack on non-union men employed by the electric company. The crowd, which compiletely filled the streets, hooted at the police and declined to budge until the blue-coats made a vigorous charge.

Chamberlain Denounced,

KINGSTON, JA., March 17.—At a public meeting, held at Port Antonio last night, the policy of Mr. Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, toward the fruit growers, was denounced, and a resolution was passed pledging the meetdenounced, and a ing to assist in paying the expenses of delegates to be sent to England for the purpose of making representations on the subject to the Imperial Government,

Asked Troops for White Caps.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 17.—Las night Governor McSweeny received start ling dispatches from Neeces, in Orange ling dispatches that the community was terrorized by white caps. He was requested to send militia. The Governor hurried the sheriff to the place and received a dispatch from him saying everything is quiet to-day.

## A FREE FIGHT IN CONVENTION

Calm and Conscious Till | Republicans of Rockingham Come to Blows.

Policemen Rush Upon the Stage and Separate Combatants.

TWO CONVENTIONS IN ONE

Two Chairmen on the Stage Conduct Separate Meetings and Each Faction Elects a Full Set of Delegates to the State Convention, An Effort to Capture the County Organization.

HARRISONBURG, VA., March 17-Special.-Republican primaries were held yesterday in this county. To-day their County Convention met in the Assembly Hall to select delegates to the District Convention at Front Royal and the Norfolk State Convention. The Acker-Funkhouser wing of the party and the Lewis-Sullivan or anti-Acker wing only increased the dissention in the party by to-day's convention.

The Acker wing has hitherto been recognized by the State organization, and it was the effort of the anti-Acker and it was the electron the anti-Acker and procure control of the county organization. There were contesting delegations from several precincts, but the anti-Acker faction claimed a majority without the contesting delegates. Upon the election of temporary chairman, the

clash came.

COME TO BLOWS.

C. M. Keezle, chairman of the Acker faction, called the meeting to order, and on vote for temporary chairman, aland on vote for temporary chairman, al-lowed certain delegations to vote over the protest of the anti-Acker faction. John Acker was the nominee of his fac-tion for temporary chairman, and Dr. J. B. Webb was the nominee of the anti-Ackerites. Chairman Keezle an-nounced Acker cleated, which enraged the anti-Ackerites. A number of them nounced Acker elected, which enraged the anti-Ackerites. A number of them rushed upon the stage, where for a few moments a free fight ensued, in which sticks, chairs, as well as fists, played a part. Policemen rushed upon the stage and after some trouble separated the combatants, without anyone being seribusly hurt, though Hon. John Acker and one or two others were knocked down and received painful bruises about

the head.
TWO CONVENTIONS. TWO CONVENTIONS. '
When quiet was sufficiently restored both lacker and Webb came upon the stage, and one acted as chairman for the one faction, while the other acted as chairman for the other faction. Each faction elected delegates to the District and State Conventions, and in these forums the quarrel will continue.

During the proceedings there were two

During the proceedings there were two other personal encounters. After the convention adjourned a number of those who had participated in the fighting were brought before the Mayor for trial. Night came before the investigation was contained to the particle was contained. and the matter was continued until next Tuesday.

#### FOR WHEELER'S OWN GOOD.

Some of the Administration Officials Want His Plans Modified. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.-18 is evident that an effort is being made by

some of the Administration officials to in-duce General Wheter to withdraw his request for immediate action upon his intimated that this effort is at-

It is intimated that this effort is attributable solely to an interest in the personal welfare of the General.

In this connection it is recalled that
the President has had it in mind to ask
Congress for special legislation empowering him to retire General Wheeler, Genreal Lee and another Brigadier General of
Volunteers with the rank of Brigadier real Lee and another Brigadier General of Volunteers with the rank of Brigadier General in the regular army. Some of the persons who are interested in the success of this movement feel that by 'm mediate resignation and the prosecution of his present determination to attempt to secure his seat in the House of Representation. secure his seat in the House of Represen-tatives, General Wheeler will arouse an-tagonisms which may make it difficult or impossible thereafter to secure from the House the legislation needful to se-

cure his retirement.

General Wheeler called at the Navy De-General Wheeler called at the Nay De-partment to-day to consult with Secretary Long and Assistant Secretary Allen, who is more directly in charge of the affairs of the Islands under naval government, respecting the report he was charged to make upon the condition of the Island of Guam under Commander Leary, the naval

overnor. The General read extracts from his report to indicate its character. In stance, he found that the island was cially valuable as a coaling place in the ong run from Honolulu to Manila, and the people were well satisfied with the change in their condition.

### GASOLINE KILLS FIVE.

Two Other Persons Injured and One

Will Die.

COLUMBUS. OHIO, March 17.—Five dead, one fatally, and one seriously injured, is the result of an attempt to start a fire with gasoline here last night. Geo. White used the fluid at James Wesver's residence, and an explosion followed. The building was set on fire and the inmates were covered with the burning fluid.

Like Siamese Twins.

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\*\times LEVELIAND, O. March 17.—Mrs.
Resenweig, of No. 255 Orange Street, this
city, has given girth to girl twins, joinedtogether like the famous Siamese Twins.
The twins sdied soon after birth. The
bodies are joined in the seventh rib to
a point just below the hips. The left of
one child is joined to the right side of
the other, the seventh rib having grown
together.

## "BOBS" PROVES HERO OF THE HOUR

Mafeking's Relief Has Not Been Confirmed.

FORGAVE MR. RIDDICK | FISTS, STICKS, CHAIRS. | REPORT | PERSISTENT

Boer Officials Said to Have Vacated Taungs and Vryburg.

REFUSE TO ENTER TRANSVAAL

The Hospital Ship Maine the First to Leave After Ladysmith Had Been Relieved-Lady Roberts En Route to South Africa, Demonstrations in

LONDON, March 18.-4:15 A. M.-Amidst the festivities of St. Patrick's Day, London has been listening to-day for the words that Mafeking is relieved. It is remarkable that the revival of this holiday, which puts St. Patrick's Day on equality with Primrose Day, has been the occasion of the first real gala day since the declaration of war. Christmas tide was gloomy, indeed, in comparison with to-day's merry-makings, and the only fillup needed was the news of the relief of the besieged Mafeking.

LONDON, March 17.-It is persistently relterated that Mafeking has been re-lieved, but the War Office has no con-irmation of the rumor.

There is so much in the situation in South Arison to institute additional in

There is so much in the students as the students at the rapid pacification of the Free State, leads people of Great Britain to think that they have a statesman as well as a strategist in the hero of the hour, "Bobs."

REFUSE TO ENTER TRANSVAAL.

The Transvaal officials are said to have

racated Taungs and Vryburg, but the rebels are unwilling to enter the Transvaal, being anxious to trek homewards. No one would be much surprised if a great spread of this contagion occurred in the next fortnight. Lady Randolph Churchill, who started home on the hospital ship Maine, eabled that she regarded it as a compliment to the United States that the Maine was the first ship to leave after Ladysmith was relieved. Twelve officers and one

officers and men are aboard the Maine.

LAIDY ROBERTS LEAVES. The departure of Lady Roberts from London for South Africa to-day was made the occasion of a popular demonstration. Among her fellow travelers were the Duchess of Teck, who has gone to join her husband; General Sir Frederick Cartistics and test, and Miss Pholes. the

hundred and fifty-three non-commissione

rington and staff; and Miss Rhodes—the latter Cecil Rhodes' sister. A large gathering of friends bade Lady Roberts farewell, including Mr. Brode rick, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office; Mr. Wyndham, the Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office; Sr. Newton, the Lord Mayor of London; and the Duke of Abercorn.

Lady Roberts was accompanied by her two daughters, all in the deepest mourning. Shartly after their returned their second

ins. Shortly after they entered their sa-loon carriage the Lord Mayor presented the three ladies with bunches of sham-rock. The departure of the train was the signal for a great outburst of enthusiastic cheering and the waving of flags and

Orange Free State orange Free State progresses so evenly that it is now believed there will be little or no fighting until Lord Roberts reaches the Vaal river. How soon he intends to start out with this objective is not yet lainted at, but the pacification of the Free Staters seems now engaging all Ms attention. When the move comes it will doubtless be accom-plished with the secrecy and swittness which has characterized all the British advances since Lord Roberts assumed

In the meanwhile the fate of Mafeking remains unknown.

The revolt of the Cape Dutch in the

northeast, seems to have had its back broken, and it is likely General Kitchener will soon resume his place beside his chief. TROOPS RECUPERATE.

The lull that lets the British troops to Natal and the Free State recuperate brings no rest to the engineers and trans-port service. Girourd, the young Cana-dian officer who rules supreme over the rallroads, is now putting his system to the most severetest, in an endeavor to pour supplies from Cape Town to Bloemfontein. Commandant Olivier, after leav-ing Burghersdorp, went to Rouxville where he is now reported to be with on-

where he is now reported to be with enly a small force.

Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the
Transvanl, has disappeared from Brussels. According to a Globe special he is
believed to have come to London, but
nothing is known here about his erival.

It seems scarcely likely that he would jump into the Non's mouth and the en-ergetlo Boer representative is more likely to be seen or heard of at one of the other European capitals.

RAILROAD REOPENED.

VANZYL, Friday, March 16.—The rall-road has been reopened from Bloemfon-tein to Norvals Pont. General Pole-Chrew and the Genadlers have just arrived at Norvals Pont. \
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BOERS EVACUATE.

BURGHERSDORP, March 17.—Commandant Olivier evacuated his position on a hill in front of the British during the night. Several Boses of his force have surrendered. Dr. Dewitt, a member of the Cape Parliament, and his brother have been arrested.

THEY ARE VINDICTIVE.

LADYSMITH, Friday, March 16.—Lord Dundonald's cavalry patrols reconnoiter-

(Continued on Second Page.)

## NO EFFORT SPARED TO BRING SUCCESS

The Richmond Carnival On Account of Commis-Affairs in Good Shape.

ALL HARD AT WORK.

President Meyer Returns With Fresh Ideas and New Features.

WANT A DIRECTOR GENERAL. HE WAS FINED BY THE MAYOR

an Official Deferred Until Directors Meet Next Tuesday-Demand for Paper Flowers Increases; One Firm Contracts for 10,000.

Those having the Great Richmond Carnival in charge are sparing no effort to make Carnival Week one round of pleasire and a series of continued successe President Alexander H. Meyer has just eturned from New York and has a fresh upply of new ideas and catchy features While in the metropolis he placed himself n communication with many parties whose participation in the grand Carnival will tend to make its success, which is now already assured, only greater. COMMITTEES AT WORK.

The various committees have been hold ng numerous meetings and their parts in he Carnival have been seriously consider. ed and proper steps taken to make each part as near perfect as possible. Two very important meetings of the Finance Committee were called and the matter of making appropriations to the

matter of making appropriations to the various sub-committees was taken up. As it now stands a few of these appropriations are yet to be made, but if the idea now entertained by some members of the Board of Directors of having a director general is carried into effect, these appropriations may again be brought up and reconsidered. Reports from the various sub-committees of the Finance Committee were received at these meetings, and showwere received at these meetings, and showed that as far as stock, subscriptions and donations were concerned, at least \$10,000 could be counted on. This estimate, however, did not include any amount to be derived from the sale of privileges or the revenues to be derived from the proposed sale of ballots or admission fees to the grand farewell reception to be tendered the King of the Carnival at the Auditorium Saturday night, the last of Curnival week. IMPORTANT MEETING.

The Board of Directors also held two meetings last week, and another at which business of paramount importance will come up for consideration has been called for Tuesday might at \$20 o'clock at the vere received at these meetings, and show

come up for consideration has been called for Tuesday night at \$:30 o'clock at the rooms of the Travellers' Protective Association, Third and Main Streets. It is the carnest desire and request of the officers that every member of the Board of Directors be in attendance at this needing. A special meeting of the directors was held yesterday at 1 o'clock in the assembly hall, Chamber of Commerce, and the question as to whether the services of a director general for the Carnival should be secured was discussed at length. His duties are to consist of having general charge of the entire celebration, to advise and co-operate with the various committees in their work and act as a general adviser to all, and in an executive capacity.

MR. BENSON HERE.

MR. BENSON HERE.

Mr. George D. Benson, of Laporte, Ind., who has had wide experience in this line, and who comes well recommended, was introduced, and submitted a propolition to take this position for the sum of \$1,500. He submitted a paper, setting forth what would be done and in what way he would assist and manage the work.

Many questions were asked by the members of the board, and Mr. Benson was requested to retire while the Board took action.

Mr. Benson also submitted a proposition

Benson also submitted a prop Mr. Benson also submitted a would fur-nish ten floats of such design and char-acter as the committee in charge of this matter might desire.

He also submitted photographs of floats

heretofore furnished by him.

After further discussion a decision
was deferred until the regular meeting Tuesday evening at \$:30 o'clock. AMUSEMENT COMMITTEE.

The Amusement Committee, Mr. John D. Potts chairman, of the Richmond Car-D. Potts chairman, of the Richmond Carnival Association, met at the Association headquarters this morning at 12 o'clock, to meet the representatives of the Bastock Carnival Company in regard to the contract between the Association and that company. The question was very thoroughly discussed, but the contract was not closed.

USE OF FLOWERS. In response to a request for information as to how flowers should be used on the floats. Mr. Henry Lee Valentine has received the following instructive letter:

The Business Men's Club,
San Antonio, March 13, 1909.
Mr. Henry Lee Valentine, Richmond, Va.:
Dear Sir.—Your favor of March the 1st
to Mayor Hicks, for Information in regard to Mayor Hicks, for the distributed programme, has to the flower-carnival programme, has been handed to me for reply. I regret that all publications illustrating previous events have been distributed; the manner events have been distributed; the manner that think I can give you an idea. In the of decorating is so simple, however, that I think I can give you an idea. In the first place, only paper flowers should be used, for the reason that it generally takes two or three days to decorate a carriage, during which time, natural flowers wilt. We always place these flowers on the rim, hub and spokes of our vehicles, cover the body with them, and incorporate such designs as may suit for the suspension above; for instance, whe gauze covered with flowers suspending a large doll with long wings has been used with effect. A bell suspended above the occupants, covered with flowers, is handsome. A trap, which seats two in front and two behind, with backs to each other is easily conveyed into a basket, the top and sides covered with flowers. Bouquets should be tied on the harness and a hand some head-piece sets off the horse.

In our coming spring carnival, the procession will be headed with a miniature engine, twenty feet long, covered with flowers, yellow flowers representing the brass work, with a throne on the tender with flowered canopy, in which will be seated a little girl. Beats are provided for two good-sized boys in the capacity of engineer and fireman. This is hauled on an imments float with eight borses.

for two good-sized boys in the capacity of engineer and fireman. This is handed on an immense float with eight borses. These suggestions will give you a general

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## A BANK CASHIER IS PUT IN JAIL

sion of Valuation Act.

WOULD NOT ANSWER

Concerning the Bank Account of a Customer.

He Refused to Pay the Fine and Went to Jail Pending the Application of a Writ of Habeas Corpus Before the Supreme Court of Virginia-Other Banks Join

in the Test Case.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 17.-Special.—The Citizens' National Bank of this city will test the constitutionality of the ners of valuation act, recently

The occasion for the test is that Lewis 2. Barley, who yesterday qualified as Commissioner of Valuation in this city, giving bond in the sum of \$5,000, which was furnished by C. C. Carlin, at once proceeded to the Citizens' National Bank and demanded of Assistant Cashler W. Frank Lambert what certain gentleman had to his credit in that bank, and also the amount of his personal property.

Mr. Lambert promptly refused to give him the desired information, and Mr. Barley at once proceeded to the Mayor's office and swore out a warrant for his arrest. Shortly afterward Mr. Lambert simpson, who there the accused the minimum penalty of the offence, which is \$30.

Mr. Lambert refused to pay the fine and was committed pending an application forwarded to the Court of Appeals at Richmond, for a writ of habeas corpus, Mr. Lambert has secured the services of Col. Francis L. Smith and A. W. Armstrong who will make a test case of this strong who will make a test case of this strong, who will make a test case of this

PROMPTLY REFUSED.

OUTSIDE BAINKS SOLICIT DEPOSITS.
It is understood that the two local banks will also act in conjunction with the Citi-

A Washington national bank recently

at Washington national bank recently sent circulars to the various merchants in this city, soliciting their deposits. Mr. Lewis Hooff, cashier of the First National Early of this city; has notified those who have deposits in his bank that he will pay the tax on them.

A POLICEMAN'S RIGHTS.

Corporation Attorney Gardner L. Booths to-day rendered his opinion to the case eccently submitted to him by the Board of Police Commissioners, as to the right of a policeman to run for a local politi-cal office. The question was brought about by the running of Policeman Frank Spinks for the office of City Sergeant. Mr. Boothe states that he has a right to run for a political office, providing it does not interfere with his duties as a police-

#### THINK WAR MAY COME.

Russian and Japanese Officials Discount Rumors.

YOKOHAMA. JAPAN, Febraury 23.— (Via VECTORIA, B. C., March 17.)—The persistency with which the western press Russia and Japan is attracting mu attention here. Thus far there h seemed to be no foundation whatse for the rumor. The activity prevailing in the Russian squadron in Eastern wa-ters, and the reports constantly coming in of extraordinary doing at Port Arthur, have at least forced the conviction that where there is so much smoke there must be some fire, and the people and press are correspondingly on the qui

In official circles, however, the utmost calm is manifest, while everybody else is wondering what it all means. In the meantime, one of the Chinese papers promeantime, one of the Chinese papers pro-pounds the theory that Japan will be-ikely to take the opportunity furnished by the approaching naval manoeuvres in the Korean Straits to strike a sudden

Davis' Captor Dead,

MADISON, WIS., March 17.—General
Henry Harnden, commander of the Wisconsin Volunteers, and the officer who
commanded the Wisconsin troops and
that with a Michigan regiment captured
Jefferson Davis, died to-night. He was
born in Massachusetts in 1845.

#### SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

Local.

-Elderly white man beats a boardingouse keeper.—Sudden death of Mr. Richard L. Brown.

-Work of the Street Fair Carnival

 New paint industry for Richmond. Middlesex Republicans endorse the McKinley administration, condemn the Legislature for reckless work and the adoption of the Jim Crow Car Bill.

Frank Benjamin sentenced to hang. April 20th. Counsel moved for a stay of execution.

xecution.

-High Sheffler, charged with criminal respect to Shenandoah county, proves an assaut in Shenandoah county, proves an alibi and is acquitted.

—Bishop Randolph consecrates a church in Halifax and visits other charges.

—William Frank Lambert, bank cashier of Alexandria, in jail for refusing information to a valuation commissioner.

—Prisoners attempt to escape from Clarke county jail, and are recaptured in the snow.

in the snow.

John Lee Reynolds commits suicide
with laudanum in Portsmouth.

Fourth District Democratic Committee call a convention to nominate a candidate for Congress. General. St. Patrick's Day is generally cele-

brated.

—Postmaster-General Smith tells of our duties to people of our new possessions.
—Saven young men arrested, charged with attempting to dynamite a church.
—General wneeler's riends do not want him to press for acceptance of his resignation.

—London hears persistent reports of Maleking's release, but they are not confirmed. "Bobs" is the hero of one hour. —Porto Bicans appeal to Governor-General Devis for help.

—British continue advances in South Africa.

ch official says the United States